

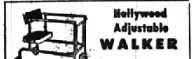


Carelessness Caused Fire!

"Carelessness caused this fire" said Fire chief Smith. Seen inspecting the damaged room of the Birmingham Plastics Inc., with Officer Pepperell after a flash fire burned five men, four of whom were hospitalized with burns on the face and arms.

Five Men Burned in Plant Blaze

An explosion and fire at the Birmingham Plastics Inc., 2295 E. Lincoln, injured five employees Thursday night.



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Michigan ranks first in the nation in the production of red tart cherries... field beans... cucumbers... blueberries... We rank eighth in production of spearmint... strawberries... and peaches... and we are third in production of celery... apples... and sweet cherries.

OUR STATE RANKS fourth in the United States in production of sugar beets... pears... grapes... buckwheat... tomatoes... red clover seed... cauliflower... and red table beets... We rank fifth in production of peaches... sweet corn... and red table beets... sixth in production of onions and maple syrup.

We are seventh in production of fall potatoes and cantaloupes... eighth in oats, popcorn and lima beans... ninth in field corn, honey and tomatoes for processing... tenth in winter wheat, rye, head lettuce, cabbage, snap beans and potatoes of all varieties.

WE ARE NOT widely known as a corn state, ranking ninth in the nation in production of that crop... but our 1958 corn yield of 56 bushels an acre was well over the national average of 57.7. Corn is our leading field crop in terms of production volume, but wheat is our most important cash crop. Whereas much of our corn is consumed by poultry and livestock on the farms where it is raised, most of the wheat grown in Michigan is sent to market.

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People's Column

Police Chief Praises Story On Accident

To the Editor: I would like to say congratulations to you for a magnificent story (Eccentric, Jan. 28, 1). I know every police officer at one time or another has experienced a tragedy of this type, but could never express himself as you have done in your story. Thanks, also, for making people realize why a police officer is trying to enforce all traffic rules and regulations. We have a job to do and if strict traffic enforcement will prevent other people from tragedies of this type, I think it is a job well done.

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